

SENATE BILL 1298

By Cooper

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8,
relative to public officers and employees.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 42, Part 1, is amended by
adding the following language as a new section:

Section 8-42-109. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, during
any period of time in which a general appropriations act funding the state government is
not in effect, if a state employee as defined in this chapter is performing the duties of a
state employee without compensation due to the absence of a general appropriations
act, then such employee shall remain a state employee for purposes of §9-8-307 and
this chapter. Such employee shall also be eligible for workers' compensation benefits
during any such uncompensated period of employment.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring
it.